

IN THE DRAWINGS

A proposed new Fig. 6 is submitted herewith, with a Letter to the Official Draftsman.

REMARKS

This is in response to the final rejection and the advisory action of August 11, 2006.

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Final Rejection that claims 28-31, 34-39 and 42 are directed to allowable subject matter and would be allowed if placed in independent form. Allowable claims 28-31, 34, 36, 38, 39 and 42 have been rewritten in independent form to recite the features of their base and intervening claims. Claim 35 depends from claim 34. Claim 37 depends from claim 36. These claims are deemed to be in allowable condition.

Claims 32 and 33 have been canceled.

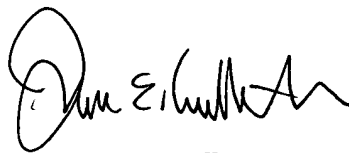
A new Fig. 6 is submitted herewith to overcome the objection to the drawings. The specification has been amended to be consistent with the addition of Fig. 6. This new drawing and the description thereof added to the specification is supported at least by original claim 11. No new matter is believed to be introduced by the new drawing and the amendment of the specification.

Claims 24-27, 40, 41 and 43-47 have been canceled.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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